

The Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Dear The Federal Communications Commission,

I wanted to write you and ask you to support the "Fair Share Plan" as a solution to current concerns with the Universal Service Fund (USF).

Under a flat fee or numbers-based plan, we are essentially raising a tax on a large number of lower and middle class citizens who make few long-distance calls.

We would not ask each person to pay the same road tax - currently covered by gasoline taxes - no matter how many miles they drive. We wouldn't charge the same amount for toll road usage no matter how many times in a month they use the road. So why shift the tax burden in this case to a flat fee - and have us subsidize the heavy users.

Every time I go through a toll both - I pay my fifty cents. It would be unfair to charge everyone \$20 - not differentiating between someone who uses the road once a month and someone who uses it twice a day. USF should work the same way.

Don't raise our taxes - keep the USF fair! Thanks for listening.

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Sincerely,

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